tended to. When they had done ſpeaking, the ſteward ſaid, " Your offer is accepted, and you ſhall be dealt with according to your own words: therefore, we will begin the ſearch." So they immediately unloaded their beaſts, and opened their ſacks, one by one; beginning with the ſack of the oldeſt, and ſo proceeding regularly down to the youngeſt. And when they came to Benjamin's ſack, the cup was found. But who can deſcribe the terror and diſtraction which inſtantly ſeized the whole company? they, who were juſt before rejoicing in their ſuppoſed innocence, are now detected with the ſtrongeſt marks of guilt and infamy. And, although they were ſtill conſcious, that they were not really the aggreſſors, yet, according to their own deſire, they were now left without hope of being releaſed themſelves; and with the gloomy apprehenſion of breaking their father's heart by their delay. This may teach us, to be very cautious in juſtifying

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